

## HOLDING FIRMLY NEAR WARSAW

### Russian Troops Now Occupying Strong Position

**Repulsing German Attacks—Czar's Men Reported Assailing The Enemy In East Prussia And Along The Frontier Of West Prussia—Vienna Claiming Big Successes For The Austrian Forces Operating In West Galicia**

London, Dec. 21.—It is now believed that the German armies in Poland have been checked by the Russians in front of Warsaw and that Von Hindenburg's invaders are actually in danger of attack from the rear.

The great victory claimed in Berlin dwindles down, it is reported, to an orderly withdrawal of the Russian troops for about twelve miles to strong defensive positions, which they are holding in spite of massed German attacks. Meanwhile Grand Duke Nicholas is reported to be hurrying reinforcements to his battle line.

It is no longer believed that Warsaw is in grave danger. On the contrary, the opinion of military critics is that Marshal Von Hindenburg must break through the Russian line within a very few days or find his communications cut by the Russian army operating on the left bank of the Vistula, northwest of Plock.

In addition to holding firmly in front of Warsaw, the Russians are attacking in East Prussia and along the frontier of West Prussia. This is apparent by the latest statement from the German war office, a communication which makes no assertion of victory, but says merely that the German armies are attacking.

A report that the Germans have taken Lodz is not confirmed either in Berlin or Petrograd, but may possibly be true, as the Germans have been around Lodz for several weeks and the city may have been evacuated by the Russians in their withdrawal to a line of defenses farther east.

So far as Warsaw is concerned, the Russians are in a position similar to that which they occupied two months ago, when the first German invasion reached a point about eight miles from Warsaw.

A situation favorable to the Russians exists now that did not exist at the time of the former invasion—the presence in the rear of the invaders of a Russian force which, if able to defeat the Germans on the West Prussia frontier, would be able to strike the force before Warsaw. It will take some days to clear up the situation.

Very extravagant claims are being made in Vienna as to the successes of the Austrian forces operating in western Galicia and in the Carpathians.

**Anti-Austrian Outbreaks.**  
Rome, Dec. 21.—The police at various places in Italy had difficulty in keeping down anti-Austrian riots at celebrations of the anniversary of the death of the irredentist leader, Oberdan, who organized the unsuccessful plot to assassinate Emperor Francis Joseph in Trieste in 1892 and was put to death for it. Several large meetings were dispersed by soldiers and police.

#### ALLIES MAKE GAINS

**Holding Fast to Trenches They Won From the Germans.**

Paris, Dec. 21.—The allies in Flanders and France are holding fast to trenches which they won from the Germans by hard fighting. The fighting produced material for a government announcement which tends to show that the allied offensive is breaching the German line in many places from the North sea to the river Aisne, and that the Germans are surrendering trench by trench positions they have held since they halted their retreat from the Marne more than three months ago.

Probably the hardest fought battles were in the region of Albert, near

Maricourt, southeast of Albert and French recaptured a trench which had been won and lost three times.

At Lihons, northwest of Peronne, the Germans made resolute attempts to regain lost ground, but were powerless to break the resistance of the French and were finally driven back to their positions.

#### British Steamer Hits Mine.

London, Dec. 21.—The steamer Trinitonia, which struck a mine off the north of Ireland, is believed to have foundered. It is thought that the crew succeeded in reaching shore. The Trinitonia was a British steamer of 2,700 tons.

#### Bombs Dropped on Calais.

Calais, France, Dec. 21.—A German hydro-aeroplane dropped two bombs on Calais Sunday afternoon. One of these bombs fell into the sea near the fort, the other fell near the railway station. No damage was done.

#### Zeppelin Attacks Warsaw.

Rome, Dec. 21.—A Zeppelin threw eighteen bombs on Warsaw on Dec. 9. Two houses were demolished and 90 citizens were killed and 50 wounded.

#### GERMANS CLAIM GAINS

**Attacks Beaten Off With Loss to English and French.**

London, Dec. 21.—The following official statement was issued in Berlin: "On the west front the allies have ceased their unsuccessful attacks upon us in the vicinity of Neuport and Bixchoote. The attacks near Labasse were beaten off with heavy loss to the French and English. Two hundred colored and English prisoners were captured. Six hundred bodies of English soldiers lay on our front near Notre Dame de Loretta. Southeast of Bethune we lost a trench sixty meters long. Our losses were insignificant. We made some progress in the Argonne. We took three machine guns."

**Allies' Losses in Yser Campaign.**  
Berlin, Dec. 21.—The Neuesten Nachrichten prints a Brussels dispatch estimating the losses of the allies in the Yser campaign at 215,000 up to Dec. 1. This total is made up of 60,000 Belgians, 80,000 English and 75,000 French.

#### DUBS YUAN A DICTATOR

**Chinese Leader Views With Disfavor the Proposed Loan.**

Washington, Dec. 21.—An appeal to the president to use his "benign influence" to prevent American bankers from making a loan to the present government in China has been sent to the White House and to the state department by General Hwang Hsing, a former leader of the Chinese revolution, now in Washington.

General Hwang's appeal recites at great length the alleged iniquities of the government as headed by Yuan Shai Kai, and declares that it is even better that China should become bankrupt than that Yuan Shai Kai should be loaned money with which to maintain himself in power. He alleges that Yuan is already a dictator and that nothing but the influence of the United States government prevents him from proclaiming himself emperor.

There is little likelihood at present of a loan being arranged. The condition of the money market throughout the world makes it impossible, in the opinion of officials here, for China to obtain a loan here on the basis of such security as she has to offer.

## FIELD MARSHAL VON HINDENBURG AND AIDS; THEY LEAD ARMY OF 1,000,000 IN POLAND



FIELD MARSHAL VON HINDENBURG AND STAFF

Field Marshal von Hindenburg and his staff are here shown. Among the German people Von Hindenburg is considered the one big man of the war. With his victory over the Russians at Tannenberg, East Prussia,

early in the war, he became a popular idol and was called the "hero of East Prussia." Recent reports from Berlin show that he has now apparently won a substantial victory over the Russians in Poland after supposedly facing a bad defeat. At left of

Marshal von Hindenburg is General von Lindendorff, called the "hero of Liege," and at the right is Lieutenant Hoffman, who represented the German general staff with the Russian general staff during the Russo-Japanese war.

## SEVERAL SERIOUSLY HURT IN COASTING ACCIDENTS

Akron, O., Dec. 21.—Six youths and three young women were seriously hurt and a half dozen were bruised and badly shaken up in a coasting crash on Glenwood avenue hill. The injured are: Glenn Avery, Madeline Sweeney, Walter Deck, William Jennings, Ray Weaver, Ray Wayman, Margaret Kerr, Paul Zimmerman and Edward Hutchinson. Scores of other coasters on the hill saw the crash. The injured ones were thrown in every direction and some where hurled over the embankment on the curve. Miss Sweeney and Miss Kerr were unconscious almost an hour.

#### Ten Coasters Hurt.

Cleveland, Dec. 21.—Miss Mary Myers, sixteen, is dying at a hospital and nine other young men and women were injured in a coasting accident

here on the Holton avenue hill, in the eastern part of the city. At the foot of the half mile incline the big sled struck a place bare of snow and was thrown against the iron pillars of a Belt Line railroad bridge. It is feared Miss Myers' skull is fractured. Several others were so seriously injured they required medical attention.

**Kaiser Says Lord Aided Troops.**  
Karlsruhe, Dec. 21.—Grand Duchess Louise of Baden has received the following from Emperor William: "Field Marshal Von Hindenburg has just reported that the Russian army, after desperate fighting, retreats and is being pursued along the entire front. It is evident that the Lord aided our heroic troops. To him alone is due the honors."

## STOLEN MONEY FOUND OVER \$8,000 RECOVERED

Cincinnati, Dec. 21.—The sum of \$8,160 of the \$12,660 obtained by Frank G. Hohl, the automobile bandit, who was killed following a raid on two banks here last Thursday, was recovered by detectives. The money was found in a room on the second floor of the building at 1405 Vine street. Hohl rented this room last

Wednesday about the same time that he rented the room on East Ninth street, where he was located a few moments previous to his battle with the police that resulted fatally for one policeman and himself.

The remainder of the money is believed to have been mailed by Hohl to Louisville, Ky.

## CANDIDATES NOT INDORSED

Columbus, Dec. 21.—Delegates to the meeting of the Ohio Federation of Labor refused to indorse the two leading candidates for speaker of the Ohio house. Neither did the delegates agree to endorse the candidacy of any other aspirant to the speakership. The question was left to the discretion of the legislative agents of the state federation and subsidiary labor organizations.

## ASKS FOR INJUNCTION

Cleveland, Dec. 21.—John D. Rockefeller, through his attorneys, filed in the United States district court a petition asking that an injunction be granted restraining County Treasurer O'Brien from collecting taxes on \$211,040,337 placed on Rockefeller's holdings by the Cuyahoga county tax commission. In the petition Mr. Rockefeller declares he is a resident of New York state.

## THREE MONARCHS POOL INTERESTS

**Will Preserve Neutrality of Respective Countries.**

### MEET AND FORMULATE PLAN

King Christian of Denmark, King Gustave of Sweden and King Haakon of Norway reach agreement on questions raised by the war—Official Communication Outlines Decision of the Conference.

Stockholm, Dec. 21.—King Christian of Denmark, King Gustave of Sweden and King Haakon of Norway, who, with their foreign ministers, met in conference at Malmoe to formulate a plan designed to combine their respective interests during the war, reached an agreement, on the special questions raised. This statement is made in an official communication issued here. The communication, in substance, follows:

The meeting of the three monarchs was inaugurated with a speech by King Gustave, who alluded to the unanimous desire of the kingdoms of the north to preserve their neutrality, and pointed to the desirability of limited co-operation between the kingdoms as a safeguard to their common interests. He said that when he invited the monarchs of Norway and Denmark to meet him he was impressed with a deep sense of the responsibility which would be incurred in relation to the present and the future if any measure which would contribute to the welfare of the three peoples were neglected.

Kings Haakon and Christian replied, testifying to their sincere joy at the initiative of King Gustave and expressing their hopes that the conference would have good and happy results for the three peoples.

The deliberations of the monarchs and ministers consolidated the good relations among the three kingdoms and also enabled an agreement to be reached on the special questions raised. It was finally agreed to pursue the co-operation so happily begun and to arrange, when circumstances should occur, for fresh meetings between representatives of the three governments.

## DIES SUDDENLY IN CINCINNATI

**Eugene Zimmerman, Railroad Magnate, Passes Away.**

### VICTIM OF BRIGHTS DISEASE

Had Been In His Usual Good Health Until About Two Weeks Ago, When He Complained of Slight Indisposition—Sad News Cabled to Daughter, the Duchess of Manchester. Sketch of Zimmerman's Career.

Cincinnati, Dec. 21.—Eugene Zimmerman, railroad and Standard Oil magnate, who was the father-in-law of the Duke of Manchester, died very suddenly at the Queen City club, his home for many years while in this city, of a hemorrhage resulting from bright's disease. Mr. Zimmerman has been in this city for a couple of months and was apparently in his usual good health until about two weeks ago, when he complained of a seemingly slight indisposition. He had been up and around almost as usual, however, but not out of the clubhouse.

While walking around in the reading room he suddenly complained of feeling ill and started to walk up the stairs, unassisted, to his rooms on the third floor. Just as he reached the main stairway on the first floor he sank to the floor. His only words as he collapsed were, "Send for a doctor." These were his last words, as death came almost instantly, before he could be carried up to his rooms.

John E. Bruce, who has been Mr. Zimmerman's attorney for many years, at once cabled the sad news to the Duchess of Manchester at her town house in London. A telegram was also sent at once to Martin Zimmerman, brother, in New York city.

Mr. Zimmerman was born in Vicksburg, Miss., in 1845, moving with his parents to Cincinnati in 1856. During the civil war he saw service in the United States navy, and later engaged in the oil business. Soon afterward he became heavily interested in railroad holdings. Mr. Zimmerman was a member of the board of directors of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad, and as such was active in the reorganization of the system. He was elected vice president of this railroad in 1892 and in 1902 became its president.

In addition to his C. H. and D. holdings, Mr. Zimmerman had heavy interests in other railroads. It was back in 1905 that Mr. Zimmerman unloaded his Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad on the late J. P. Morgan under conditions that led the financial world to say that Mr. Morgan got the worst bargain that he ever experienced.

Mr. Zimmerman was married to Miss Marietta A. Evans of Cincinnati in 1878. Mrs. Zimmerman died three years later, leaving one daughter, Helene, who married William Angus Drogo Montagu, the ninth Duke of Manchester. The wedding took place in 1900. Mr. Zimmerman's titled son-in-law was his greatest source of worry in recent years, and only last November he admitted that his faith had been shaken in the financial capacities of dukes.

### LIVE STOCK AND GRAIN

**EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 21.**  
Cattle—Steers, \$10.00 to \$12.00; mixed, \$8.00 to \$10.00; cows, \$7.00 to \$9.00; calves, \$5.00 to \$7.00.  
Hogs—Heavy, \$7.00 to \$8.00; mixed, \$6.00 to \$7.00; light, \$5.00 to \$6.00.  
Sheep and Lambs—Wool-bearing, \$5.00 to \$6.00; mixed, \$4.00 to \$5.00; non-bearing, \$3.00 to \$4.00.  
Cattle—Native steers, \$5.00 to \$6.00; mixed, \$4.00 to \$5.00; cows, \$3.00 to \$4.00; calves, \$2.00 to \$3.00.  
Hogs—Light, \$6.00 to \$7.00; mixed, \$5.00 to \$6.00; heavy, \$4.00 to \$5.00.  
Sheep and Lambs—Sheep, \$4.00 to \$5.00; lambs, \$3.00 to \$4.00.  
Wheat—No. 2 red, \$1.20 to \$1.25; No. 3 yellow, \$1.10 to \$1.15; Oats—No. 3 white, \$1.00 to \$1.05.

**PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21.**  
Cattle—Prime heavy steers, \$8.00 to \$9.00; fat steers, \$7.00 to \$8.00; fair steers, \$6.00 to \$7.00; cows, \$5.00 to \$6.00; calves, \$4.00 to \$5.00.  
Hogs—Heavy, \$7.00 to \$8.00; mixed, \$6.00 to \$7.00; light, \$5.00 to \$6.00.  
Sheep and Lambs—Top sheep, \$6.00 to \$7.00; lambs, \$5.00 to \$6.00.  
Cattle—Choice fat steers, \$8.00 to \$9.00; fair to good butcher steers, \$7.00 to \$8.00; cows, \$6.00 to \$7.00; calves, \$5.00 to \$6.00.  
Hogs—Yorkers, light Yorkers, heavies, mediums and pigs, \$7.00 to \$8.00; roughs, \$6.00 to \$7.00.  
Sheep and Lambs—Sheep, \$5.00 to \$6.00; lambs, \$4.00 to \$5.00.  
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